

# The Church of God Evangel

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4.

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## GREATER AGGRESSIVENESS

Move Along in God's Service  
With a Swing.

We Must Hurry on And Get The Work Done.

The subject for our message tonight is born of an intense desire to see the great work of God move on with a greater rapidity than ever. It seems that I can hardly bear to see any one, professing the Christian experience, loitering along in life as if they are not interested, and have no object in view or goal to reach.

The time is at hand when the old ruts of Christianity must be covered over or smoothed down. You can't get people excited over their sins and the judgment by monotone methods. There must be variations or people will go to sleep while you try to get them saved. It is no wonder some people do not care to go to the preaching service, because they know there will be that everlasting sameness that is wearisome to those who are full of life and activity.

That good old verse of Scripture that has brought multitudes of faint-hearted men and women through hard battles to a triumphant life of liberty and power is still in the Bible and as full of meaning as when it was first uttered by the wisest man that ever lived: "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest." (Eccl. 9:10.) Please note the reason that we should do with all our might whatsoever our hands find to do. It is because there is no "work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom in the grave."

First, consider work. This implies that every one has some kind of work to do and if he does not get the job done while he is here it will be forever undone. It also shows that the work of each person is laid out before him and it will take all of his might to get it done before he departs hence. The person, then, that takes things "More moderate" will not complete his task. I wish I could get this thought ground deeply into the mind and heart of every member of the great Church of God. If I can, by the help of the Lord, I tell you there will be greater aggressiveness in our fight against sin and the devil than we have ever yet known.

How many of you feel that you have a work to do and you are not doing it? A friend of mine years ago had in his mind to do a certain thing. He talked about it, aimed to do it all the time, he could have done it, but he just did not do it! At last he was taken sick to die—his last sickness. The work was still undone. He sent for me to come to his sick room. I went, but those who had the care of him would not let me in. In a few days he died and his heirs got the money he had laid up to turn into an "old ladies' home."

My grand father, who lived until he had passed his ninety seventh milestone in life evidently had something to tell some of us, judging by bits and fragments of conversation during life. We believed he aimed to tell it, and that it was to our interest to know, but he kept putting it off from day to day until he went to bed for the last time, then he said, almost the

last words he ever spoke, "You ought-to-know-something-but I-can't-tell-it-now!" He was so near death that it seemed too much for him to undertake it. We never knew what it was, but a little while after his death some body dug under his house where he had lived so many years, and, judging from appearances of things, they found a pot of gold and carried it off in the night.

Jesus has given us a great work to do. "Son, go work today in my vineyard." Does that ring in your soul? "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Does that ring in your soul day and night or have you put it off so much that you do not notice it any more? Are you doing with your might what your hands find to do? A friend of mine—we were school boys together—was a farmer. His brother was a preacher. One day he said to me, "Charles is a preacher, and I am a farmer, but I am working for the Lord the same as he is." He went on to tell me how he was plowing and raising stock and working early and late, to make money to pay his tithe to help spread the gospel. And he did work! Oh, he worked! He literally worked day and night. He made the money, too, but it was not used for any selfish ends. It seemed that he did his best. He worked himself old and gray in a very few years. But when he died while in the very prime of life he had the consolation of knowing he had worked with all his might for a few short years that he was serving the Lord and living a sanctified life.

Device—This is the next word to consider. This, too, is given as a reason for doing with our might what our hands find to do. There will be no device in the grave. This indicates that there should be some device in our lives. The word means, "a contrivance; invention; a stratagem; a pattern; a heraldic emblem." In our lives we must put forth every effort and invent, plan and contrive to push the great work of God along. This means that we are to leave the old ruts when they get worn down and start up some new methods to stir the people and get them interested in Sunday-school, meetings, and salvation. We must use strategy in our battles against sin and the devil, and by this means win an overwhelming victory.

In a meeting years ago the minister did every way possible it seemed to get a certain person to make a move in some way toward getting salvation. His devices and plans were well nigh exhausted when one night he suddenly asked every body to stand and sing. Many were already at the altar, and when the call was made for all to stand this special man arose with the others. When the song was finished the minister said quickly, "Every body sit down that does not want religion." Almost to his surprise this man remained standing. The minister followed quickly with, "By you still standing gives me to understand that you want religion, now come right on to

this altar and get what you want." Slowly this man began to move forward and soon was at the altar pleading with God to save him. He was saved that night. That was strategy. That was a device, and it was a winner. I tell you, we must defeat the devil, and to do this we often have to use some devices and strategy. And since there is no device in the grave it has to be used here, and this is given as a reason why we should do with all our might what our hands find to do.

But listen! I said device meant a pattern. You all know what a pattern is. Jesus was our pattern. But we are to be a pattern for others. In his letter to Titus, Paul said, "In all things showing thyself a pattern of good works: in doctrine shewing uncorruptness, gravity, sound speech that cannot be condemned; that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you." (Titus 2:7,8.) Now since you are a pattern, if you drag along, others will drag. If you are quick and active and ready to perform your duties gladly and quickly, others will do it. If you want things to move, then you move.

A certain army was in distress—about to be captured by the enemy. There seemed only one way out and that was so dangerous that the officers all seemed afraid to make the attempt, but knowing that was their only hope they gave orders for their companies of soldiers to move forward, but they themselves remained in the rear. When the command was given to go forward not a soldier moved. In vain orders were given repeatedly. Threats were made by the officers if they did not go, but no body moved. At last an under officer leaped out of ranks contrary to the rules, rushed to the front and in a few brief fiery words said, "Come, boys, forward, march! We will gain the day!" Instantly the whole army was rushing for the strategic point as they followed their new leader. They would not go at the command of those who would not lead the way. But they were willing to follow him who set a pattern before them. So it is with us in the work the Lord has given us to do. Be a pattern of good works, and work with all our might. If we are not concerned about souls we need not expect them to become interested.

I said that device means a heraldic emblem. Apply this and you find that it is for the heralding of the gospel message. You can't do this after you go to the grave, then now is the time to do it. And it is another reason given for doing with your might what your hands find to do. Work at it with all your might and you will do more of it than you should do, but suppose you do not do it with all your might, the grave will overtake you before it is done and you will find yourself the loser at the judgment.

The next word to consider is knowledge. Get all you can by doing with your might whatsoever your hands find to do, and you barely get enough to take you through successfully. But suppose you go at it half hearted like a lazy "good for nothing" school boy, where will you land? In a lecture before the B. T. S. students I said, "make yourselves study." I then told how I acquired my knowledge of the Bible. I carried it with me to work and every time I could snatch a moment I would grab it up and get a few words and on I would go with my work. At the noon hour I poured over my Book rather than sleep as many of my working companions did,

or while they told idle tales and laughed and joked with one another. At night when my day's work was done I grabbed up my Bible and other helps and went into them till midnight and two o'clock. If I got sleepy I would not give up and go to bed, I would make a rush for the well and wash my face in cold water. I have washed my face three and four times in one night so I could keep awake while I was acquiring knowledge. Sometimes I would make a rush for the door when I would get sleepy and run out into the night and down the road and when I got back I was wide awake and into my lessons I went. I made myself study. The next morning bright and early I was out at my work again and when night came I was in my books again. This was not just a day or two, but it was almost constant for years.

I tell you, we must have knowledge. And we will not get what we need to meet the judgment by a half hearted gappy lazy study. Years ago through the mouth of the prophet, God said, "My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge." What appalling words! Well, suppose you do not do with your might what your hands find to do in trying to get knowledge, and you are destroyed on account of it, who is going to be to blame for it but yourself? "Because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee." (Hosea 4:6.) And to fail to get knowledge because you do not do with your might what your hands find to do is practically rejecting it.

The last word is WISDOM. How many are short of wisdom? Do you know how to get it? "If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." (James 1:5.) This is our quarter's text for the Sunday-school. It is repeated every Sunday by the entire school in concert. This was given for a quarter's text to impress the scholars with the need of wisdom and to tell them how to get it. And to make it more impressive, after the entire school recites the verse in concert all over forty years of age adds immediately, "I thank thee, Lord, for wisdom in 1921!" And as soon as their voices are hushed all those between twenty and forty say the same thing, "I thank thee, Lord, for wisdom in 1921!" And then when they have finished, all under twenty repeat the same, "I thank thee, Lord, for wisdom in 1921!"

"Wisdom is the principle thing; therefore get wisdom." (Prov. 5:7.) Get it at any cost. Ask God till you get it, like you asked God to save, sanctify, or baptize you with the Holy Ghost. "Ask in faith, nothing wavering." (James 1:6.) And since wisdom is the principle thing, how are you going to get along without it? And in order to get it, and all you need of it, you may have to do with your might what your hands find to do in prayer to God for it. And "when wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul; discretion shall preserve thee, understanding shall keep thee." (Prov. 2:10, 11.)

All of this is to mean greater aggressiveness. It will enable you to move along in God's service with a swing. I was once in a certain camp meeting. Almost every day for ten days it happened that I saw a certain minister walking about the camp ground in a kind of a leisurely like way. And his movements were such that they attracted me. I thought to myself that he would never set the world on fire. I saw others move about

briskly and with a swing in their movement, but he was extremely slow in his movement, and yet he was looked upon as the greatest preacher of them all. He was once a member of the Church of God, but he is not any more. The Church moved on too fast for him. He could not keep up so he was dropped off at the road-side. I presume all others will drop off if they do not push up and stir themselves up to greater activity and aggressiveness.

There is something about our people unlike any body else. A question was asked if a certain person was a member of the Church of God. It was suggested, "Surely he is not for he doesn't act like our people." And sure enough he was not a member. We are getting into the swing movement and are aggressive to an extent, but we must get more of it. In order to fire this world as we hope to we will have to have the "snap" or "pep" as some call it. It simply means we must get a fiery move on us that will attract the world. We want them to know we are after them.

Reflect back to the days of Pentecostal fire in the early Church. Philip RAN to the chariot that was carrying the man down into Ethiopia. It was his opportunity to send the gospel down there and he must not let it pass. He preached Jesus to him so enthusiastically that he embraced religion at once and he went on his way rejoicing and of course spread the good news down in his country. Paul and Barnabas RAN in among the people and told them of the salvation through Jesus. If it had depended upon some of the "slow-ups" of our day, the gospel never would have reached that Ethiopian Eunuch, and the people down in his country would never have heard the gospel he doubtless delivered unto them. And if it had depended upon some people of our day who can scarcely move above a "mope along crawl," those fellows would have gone on with their sacrifice of oxen and garlands before they could have stopped them. (Acts 14:14.)

Think of the sensation caused by Elijah, John the Baptist, the Apostles and hosts of others. A few years ago a good man was driving along briskly in a buggy and met some men in a wagon driving the opposite direction. He wanted to give the men some tracts. He stopped the horse as soon as he could, leaped out of the buggy, ran swiftly after the wagon, overtook it, gave the men the tracts, performed his mission with them and made his way back to the buggy and went on his way feeling he had done his duty. Oh, we must hurry on and get the work done. We need to fly about our Father's business. It is the greatest business on earth and we should put into it the very best of our life. Lord help us move!

### THE BLOW AND REACTION

F. J. Lee

Dear saints of God and the ministering brethren especially, we are supposed to be co-workers in the greatest organization in the world.

Many expressed themselves, after seeing the hand of God so marvelously displayed at the Assembly, "I must be more true, more faithful and do more for His cause than ever before." Let us not wane in our zeal for the cause nor fall short of our good resolutions. I never saw such zeal and enthusiasm manifested over any one thing as was manifested over the present financial system. It was not worked up or emotional enthusiasm wrought on through the flesh, but an enthusiasm wrought by hundreds seeing the real

truth on the subject and witnessed to by the Holy Ghost. Now, beloved, I do not hesitate to say that God has done this and I would be afraid to raise my hand against it or even say one word to discourage it.

I hear of some that are becoming a little impatient waiting for the CHANGE. No, I mean waiting for the change in the system. I'm sure that Brother Tomlinson and the brethren in charge are just as anxious as we are to have the system moving on nicely. "Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompense of reward." Heb. 10:35. I do not say this applies here but it fits.

Brethren, we are all in the same box. I believe there will be a square deal made. Do not let the enemy suggest otherwise. Love believeth all things, hopeth all things.

Many think that there was a large sum of money sent up to headquarters. I haven't enquired but reason teaches me after hearing how much money was used in the local churches before time to send it up, that there was no large amount sent to headquarters. Well, what about the money that was already there? Those who were at the Assembly, understand this and if others would read the Minutes, they, too, would understand. But I will state for the benefit of present inquirers, that it was used as a loan from the Elder's Council to get the building ready for the Assembly, but we are expecting some day through good management and the help of the Lord, that this will be returned to the general treasury.

Some will say, It looks like we will have to keep back some of our tithes for our pastor and send the balance. Brethren, except we bring all the tithes to the store house, how can we get it started right?

We do know that when the work first started with the twelve apostles they had a general treasury; Judas was the treasurer but when he failed another was elected to take his office (charge, Marg.). "For it is written in the book of Psalms, Let his habitation be desolate, and let no man dwell therein: and his bishoprick let another take." Acts 1:20. "Let his days be few; and let another take his office." Psa. 109:8. These Scriptures show that his office was to continue.

Malachi said, "Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse," not storehouses, but signifies one general treasury. Paul's greatest regret was that he had wasted the Church of God. How can we be guilty of the same? By talking against things that God has actually put His seal on; by failing to walk after the orders or decrees of the General Assembly. So by the early church keeping the decrees of the Assembly, the churches were established in the faith. Acts 16:4, 5. We also must keep the decrees if we expect a general establishing and settling down of the work. Remember that "rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft." Witches are controlled by evil spirits.

The brethren at the council knew that this reaction would take place. When any one gets bad hurt, a limb broken or a crush in of ribs, a great blow has been made on the system. The party does not suffer at first, the whole system is benumbed, the senses are stunned and circulation not good but after a little rest for a few hours circulation begins, reaction from the blow is set up, suffering takes place and oh, how they will groan and tremble!

This present financial system has been explained by the body and blood circulation. The body has received a blow in the change. It was so sudden several ribs (leaders) had to bend—I hope none will break. So while

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tion 1103, Act of October 3rd, 1917,  
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Get the flame! Get the flame!  
Be filled with the Holy Ghost!

If you are not saved, get saved  
as quickly as possible. Re-  
member the time is short.

Try to get at least one sub-  
scriber for the Evangel this  
month. Please do this and get  
blest by it.

If you want a Bible, Bible  
case, Ladies Hand Bag, Bible  
Dictionary, Pilgrim's Progress,  
or Story of the Bible, write for  
price list.

H. N. Bostwick, of Pulaski,  
Va., owns a house and lot in  
Cleveland, Tenn. and wishes to  
sell it and put a good part of  
the price into the Orphanage.  
Some body that wants it should  
buy it quick. Write him for  
description and price.

The Sunday-school inter-  
ests are still increasing. Schools  
that numbered only about fifty  
and sixty are now up to one  
hundred and over. Keep up this  
Sunday-school enthusiasm. It  
means a great army of soldiers  
for Jesus and His church when  
the children get grown.

Please give special attention  
to the article this week by F. J.  
Lee, in which he refers to the  
change of the tithing system.  
Hope every body will hold  
steady and pray for those in  
charge of the business. They are  
doing their best to get it regu-  
lated and in perfect working  
order. But please remember  
that many of our people are out  
of employment and have no in-  
come so they have nothing up-  
on which to pay tithes, and this  
makes the allotment for the  
ministers less than was anti-  
cipated. Hope this condition will  
not continue long.

We are well pleased with the  
the interest our people have  
taken in sending us names to  
whom we may send literature  
with a view to leading them in-  
to this good way. We thank  
every one who has sent us  
names. But we want tens of  
thousands more, so do not stop

yet, but keep right on getting  
up lists for this purpose. We be-  
lieve this is a great way to  
spread this glorious gospel, and  
we want your help. It is our pu-  
pose to bombard these people  
with gospel truth with a firm  
hope of winning them for Je-  
sus. Oh, I know you want to  
help us in this great bombard-  
ment. Then send us names—  
names of any body, far and  
near, anywhere in the world.  
Always give the full address—  
St. and No. (route or box no.)  
besides the post office. I  
thank you in advance for them.

There has been some hearty  
responses to the last Auditorium  
drive, but not enough yet to  
take us over the top. We fully  
expect this dull time in financial  
matters to be over soon. Just  
give our people a chance to  
work and earn their wages and  
I'm sure we'll go over the top  
with a sweep. Many tell us they  
are going to keep coming with  
every bit they can spare out-  
side of their living. And they  
will do it, too. We are not trying  
to lay up wealth in this world, we  
are laying up treasures in heaven.  
Hundreds, and I believe I can  
say thousands, of us are put-  
ting our all into the great  
Church of God. God will give  
the rewards I am sure. This  
world is to evangelize and it will  
take our all to do it. Come on,  
beloved, let us go at it with an  
increase of energy, enthusiasm  
and power.

The power of the Lord is  
great and when it works in us  
mightily like it did in Paul we,  
too, can do mighty things. I  
know we can run the Evangel  
up to the twenty five thousand  
mark! If every one of us will  
dig and pull, and push, and do  
our best, I believe we can have  
the number in a few days. Would  
it not be wonderful to do this  
in one week? Why not? More  
than sixteen thousand subscrib-  
ers now, and probably eighty  
thousand readers—why, of course  
to get only seven thousand new  
subscribers would be only a little  
"breakfast spell." Suppose we  
try it! You know the paper is  
doing you good—you know others  
should have the same benefits you  
are getting. That is reason enough  
for your going into the Evangel  
subscription campaign with great  
earnestness. If all will do this,  
the twenty five thousand mark  
will be reached in a week. Come  
on, beloved, come on, I believe  
we can do it. If you need sample  
papers to help you, write for them  
and tell us how many you can use  
to advantage, we will gladly send  
them.

Get ready to make big orders  
for Sunday-school literature for  
next quarter. The spring quarter  
is always the largest because  
winter is over, the weather be-  
gins to get nice, and people who  
have been shut in during the  
winter love to get out on nice  
days in spring. Mothers can  
take their babies, all the chil-  
dren can go, and no excuse for  
father to stay at home. Every  
school should launch a Sunday-  
school campaign and prepare  
for big things in April, May, and  
June. Get your collections up  
now so you will have plenty of  
money to get a larger supply of  
literature than you have usually  
ordered. You will need more  
leaves more cards, more quar-  
terlies both grades, and more of  
the large picture rolls. I say all  
of this because I expect for ev-  
ery Sunday-school to grow. This  
Sunday-school enthusiasm that  
is in the land means something.  
It never has been so. It is  
catching to its thousands. Let  
it roll! Oh, let it roll!

## DISTRICT CONVENTION

Cleveland District Convention  
will convene at Cleveland, Tenn.  
March 5 and 6 inclusive. All  
pastors, deacons and clerks are  
expected to be present and others  
whom the Lord may send. Come  
expecting a great season of  
refreshing from the presence  
of the Lord.

Everybody is welcome.  
J. S. Llewellyn, Dist. Over-  
seer

M. W. Letsinger, overseer  
of Tenn.

## REPORTS

Dear Brother Tomlinson—  
Greetings in the Master's  
Name:

I can report victory at this  
place. We have been pressing  
the battle for about seven  
weeks. Souls have been saved,  
sanctified and filled with the  
Holy Ghost.

Brother J. T. Mullinix, C. P.  
Andrews, Ed Short and Sister  
Mary Lynch have been faithful  
workers for the Master and the  
Lord has given them souls for  
their labor; six sanctified, four  
received the baptism of the Holy  
Ghost, two baptized in water,  
and ten added to the Church of  
God. The Lord is not through  
with us yet, praise His dear  
name.

Mattie Batts, clerk,  
811 Grant St., Lagrange, Ga.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and  
All Evangel Readers—Greet-  
ings in Jesus' Sweet Name:

We have just closed a three  
weeks meeting at Lone Elm;  
meeting was held by Brother  
and Sister Asher and T. S.  
Brown, one of our members  
whom the Lord has wonder-  
fully blessed and called to preach  
the gospel. We thank the Lord  
greatly for him. The first week  
Brother and Sister Miller from  
Alabama were with us. He deliv-  
ered some great messages for  
the Lord. Brother Kimblin was  
with us and was a great help  
in the meeting.

Seven were saved from sin,  
five sanctified through the blood  
of Jesus, twelve received the Holy  
Ghost, twelve were added to  
the Church of God and six  
followed the Lord in water  
baptism.

We certainly do praise the  
Lord for restoring the church  
with such a blessing. We also  
had a watch service Dec. 31,  
which was very glorious, the  
Lord being there to own and to  
bless.

Your sister in Christ,  
Mrs. May Davis, clerk,  
Dodd City, Texas.

Dear Brother Tomlinson—Greet-  
ings:

I have just returned home  
from a short meeting in a need-  
y field four miles from Tennes-  
see City, Tenn.

Sister Nettie Ladd and her  
father, a friend of ours and Mr.  
Henry Shoat's wife all went to  
the meeting and oh, how the  
Lord did bless. We had meet-  
ing Saturday night, Sunday and  
Sunday night. Oh, it is won-  
derful how the men and women  
took in the Word of God. Some  
were sanctified and several asked  
for prayer. I want all who  
read this to please pray for  
them and for Sister Willie Rich-  
ison as she stands alone in that  
place. Also pray for her hus-  
band who is seeking for the  
Holy Ghost. I want to go back  
soon if it is God's will. Pray for  
me.

Your brother in His service,  
T. T. Kephart,  
White Bluff, Tenn.

## A Model Church

This is what we have found at  
Kentwood, La. It would be a  
blessing to every pastor, district  
overseer, state overseer, and I  
believe even the elders just to be  
here in this church and see not  
only the excellent behavior of  
the saints, but of the sinners as  
well. Brother and Sister  
M. S. Haynes have had charge  
of this church for several years  
and it can readily be seen that  
they have done their duty. The  
people love them, respect them,  
and confide in them. It isn't so  
hard to have a revival in a  
church like this.

We began a meeting less than  
a week ago. The power began to  
fall in the very first service  
and already seven have gotten  
through to victory and talked in  
tongues as the Holy Ghost gave  
utterance besides a number saved  
and sanctified. This success  
is, I believe, largely due to the  
good order kept in God's house.  
The church building is large,  
well filled with people and they  
found out that they were wel-  
come, but at the same time they  
know if they come to this  
church they must at least have  
an outward reverence for God  
and His people.

Another noticeable feature in  
the church at Kentwood is the  
Sunday School. I feel absolutely  
safe in saying, it is ahead of any  
Sunday school I have had the  
privilege of visiting so far. The  
splendid order of the children

from the smallest to the largest,  
is to be highly commended.  
Brother Haynes informs me that  
it has been no child's play to get  
the Sunday school to the state  
where it is today; but it has  
meant a constant watching on  
his part, as well as demanding  
the order the church now pos-  
sesses. He still sits and watches  
to see that things are going just  
right and reminds me of a faith-  
ful king, watching over his sub-  
jects.

I have just been wondering  
why every pastor in the Church  
of God couldn't demand such  
order and, thereby, take an aw-  
ful reproach away from the  
church.

Before I close I wish to men-  
tion another admirable feature in  
this church; that is, tattlers and  
those stirring up strife are dealt  
with in such a manner, they  
have resolved they would quit  
the tattling business, and from  
what I learn it is about the freest  
church I know of from this  
treacherous sin that is so pre-  
valent among any of our  
churches.

May God make this little de-  
scription an incentive to every  
preacher in the Church of God to  
bring His church nearer to  
perfection, that the mouths of  
the gainsayers may be stop-  
ped.

Mrs. Howard Juillerat, evan-  
gelist.

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and  
All the Saints Scattered A-  
broad:

We had a wonderful meeting  
at the Church of God today and  
we also had a good meeting at  
the jail. Two young men broke  
down and one cried all during  
the meeting. He wants the  
prayers of all the saints, he  
wants to do the right thing  
and serve God, so pray that he  
will be saved and receive the  
Holy Ghost. Several prisoners  
asked for prayer.

I want the saints to pray for  
me that I may have more power  
in my life to accomplish some  
thing for Jesus. I love the street  
work, and want to get humble  
before God so He can have His  
way with me at all times. Oh,  
how I want to see souls saved  
before it is too late. What a  
dangerous condition those who  
have hardened their hearts a-  
gainst God are in. What a won-  
derful God we have, who can  
look down into the hearts of  
men and women and even know  
our thoughts. Praise God for  
this wonderful salvation, I stay  
hungry for more of it. "Bless-  
ed are they which do hunger,  
and thirst after righteousness  
for they shall be filled." Matt.  
5:6.

Your sister under the blood,  
Allie Pearson,  
Waco, Texas.

I am praising God for victory.  
I started out on New Year's  
day visiting my churches. My  
wife and I and Sister Layman  
of Louisville, Ky. went to Broth-  
er Lee Wilson's at Caneyville,  
Ky. on Jan. 1st and held three  
services. One was saved and  
one sanctified. I set a church in  
order Jan. 3rd with eighteen  
members. Praise His precious  
name.

On returning home, I received  
a card from Brother Gam-  
mon, our state overseer. He was  
coming to visit the churches in  
my district. He came to Ren-  
der church on Jan. 15th, on my  
regular appointment, and  
preached three wonderful ser-  
mons for us. The members are  
well pleased with our state o-  
verseer. We went from there to  
Moorman and was there two  
nights. The saints were shout-  
ing the victory and were pleas-  
ed with their pastor, Brother  
Ford, and thanking God for  
their state overseer. From there  
we went to the Fordsville  
church. The Lord used our  
state overseer in a wonderful  
way. Several brothers and sis-  
ters who had gone off with the  
one God people were won back.  
Brother Willis Carden came  
back to the church and agreed  
to stand by the Church of God.  
He wanted his license back.  
Praise God for the way He is  
using Brother Gammon in  
bringing our people back to the  
church.

Brother Gammon is a true  
bishop and has the qualifica-  
tions that Paul said that a min-  
ister must have. 1 Tem. 3:1-7.

We left Fordsville and went to  
Salem church, the weather was

bad, so we held one service  
which the saints enjoyed very  
much, although there were very  
few in attendance. Brother  
Gammon returned home and my  
wife and I went on to Cleaton,  
Ky., where Sisters Layman and  
Deavers of Louisville, were hold-  
ing a meeting. They had a hard  
battle to fight as there were di-  
visions and about four different  
doctrines to contend with. I  
preached the Church of God to  
them, explaining that this was  
the remedy for divisions. We  
did not set a church in order  
but expect to in a short time.  
We found some honest Pente-  
costal people there who will  
walk in the light. Praise God  
for His many blessings. The  
Lord is certainly blessing and  
using Sister Deavers and Lay-  
man in winning souls for Him.

I am praising God for His  
presence now and for a conse-  
crated wife who will go with  
me. I feel like going all the  
way. There is nothing to look  
back to. Glory.

May the Lord bless all of the  
saints.

Your humble servant in the  
Master's hands,

Guy Marlow,  
Horse Branch, Ky.

Dear Brother Tomlinson  
Greetings in Jesus' Name:

We are praising our Savior  
for saving, sanctifying and bap-  
tizing us with the Holy Ghost.  
We are so delighted with this  
grand holiness way, it just suits  
us. We get the Evangel week-  
ly with a heart full of praise,  
how we feast from its pages.

We do not get to attend ser-  
vices but once each month as  
the weather does not permit us  
to do so. We are members of  
the dear old Church of God, the  
only true church.

We can't thank God enough  
for sending His messengers to  
our community. Sister Lou  
Lamb and Sister Nellie Lovett  
who brought the light to us. My  
husband received the baptism of  
the Holy Ghost on December 26,  
1919, and I received it on June  
13, 1920. I followed the Lord in  
water baptism and He filled me  
with the Holy Ghost that night.  
Praise His dear name. "O, glo-  
ry to Jesus, my soul is redeem-  
ed, I'm saved, saved, saved,"  
and mean to go all the way  
with Him.

We have prayer meeting on  
Saturday nights. We want the  
saints to pray that we will get  
a church set in order here soon.

I want to do something to help  
spread the gospel to hungry  
souls. I can't do the big things,  
but, praise God, I can do the  
little things.

Oh! how glad we are that we  
have found the band of people  
that Christ prayed for in John  
17, "They are all one, as we are  
one," for the Church of God  
people are of one mind and  
heart.

Your humble brother and sister  
in Christ,  
A. T. Rowe and wife.

## Clarence Town, Bahamas

Dear Brother Tomlinson—  
Greetings in Jesus' Holy  
Name:

I am still praising God this  
morning because the Holy Com-  
forter still abides in my soul.

I thank God for helping me  
through many troubles, trials  
and temptations during the past  
year. Praise God, for I am over-  
coming through the great power  
of God.

I could never thank you  
enough for coming to Clarence  
Town and explaining the great  
Word of God to us, which  
brought us into the wonderful  
light of God. I know that you  
have a great work to do, and  
hope that the Lord will bless you  
and keep you.

Pray that I will be my best  
for the Lord.

Your sister under the blood,  
Mrs. Georgiana Major.

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## REQUESTS

Sidney Smedley, Lepanto, Ark., re-  
quests prayer that he may be heal-  
ed.

M. L. Robinson, Sonoraville, Ga., re-  
quests prayer for his little girl to  
be healed of head trouble.

Mrs. Pauline Brannon, Chattanooga,  
Tenn., requests prayer that her  
baby will be healed.

Mrs. C. B. Thompson, Sweetwater,  
Tenn., requests special prayer for  
Sister Magha who is very sick.

Mrs. Lane Erwin, Adairsville, Ga.,  
requests prayer for His  
presence now and for a conse-  
crated wife who will go with  
me. I feel like going all the  
way. There is nothing to look  
back to. Glory.

J. W. Hamilton of Dodd City, Texas,  
requests prayer that he will be  
healed of neuralgia.

Gertrude Ginn, Maud, Okla., requests  
prayer that her sister and brother  
will be saved.

Mrs. H. C. Crosby, Fort Screven, Ga.,  
requests prayer that she and her  
husband may be saved.

Jas. J. Oswalt of Middletown, Tenn.,  
requests prayer that his wife and  
children will receive the Holy  
Ghost.

Nora Brookshear, Lenoir City, Tenn.,  
requests prayer for her unbeliev-  
ing friends and that she will draw  
closer to the Lord.

Jane Cook of Carbon Hill, Ala., re-  
quests special prayer for her sick  
husband and children, also requests  
prayer for herself.

Mrs. John Field, Six Mile Run, Pa.,  
wants prayer to be healed and re-  
ceive the Holy Ghost, also for her  
husband and son to be saved and  
for her son to be healed.

Mrs. Effie Morris, Coeburn, Va., re-  
quests prayer for her husband to  
be healed of lung trouble and that  
he will be sanctified and filled with  
the Holy Ghost.

Mrs. Dora Wells, Round Mountain,  
Ala., wants the saints to pray for  
her and her two children. She  
would like for a Church of God  
preacher to come to that place.

Mrs. Gertie Clark, Mt. Pleasant, Tex-  
as, wants the saints to pray that  
her father may receive the Holy  
Ghost. Also pray that she will  
grow stronger in faith and knowl-  
edge.

Matilda Corbin, Live Oak, Fla., re-  
quests the saints to pray for her  
loved ones to be saved. Also pray  
for her blind brother, that the Lord  
will give him his eyesight and save  
him.

T. T. Kephart of White Bluff, Tenn.,  
is burdened very much for lost  
souls. He feels the need of prayer  
and desires a special interest in  
the prayers of the saints that he  
will do the Lord's will.

Effie Nelson, Colt, Ark., R. 1, re-  
quests the saints to pray that her  
loved ones will receive the Holy  
Ghost, that she will be healed of a  
cough, that her sister's child will be  
healed, for her mother's eyes to  
grow stronger and for a Holy  
Ghost preacher to come to their  
community. They are in destitute cir-  
cumstances, pray for them.

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# WHERE ART THOU? Gen. 3:9.

Mrs. P. L. Burton

There are many side tracks for the holiness people, by holiness I mean the only religion that takes people to heaven. Heb. 12:14, "Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord. The Revised Version gives it, "The sanctification without which no man shall see the Lord." It is pertinent here to state that holiness and sanctification in the Bible are precisely synonymous, there being but one Greek word, Hagiasmos, which is indiscriminately translated holiness or sanctification, at the option of the translator. It is always received by a second work of grace.

In that memorable valedictory prayer of our Lord, in which He so fervently prays for the sanctification of all His disciples then living and all who should become His disciples in the coming ages, He specifically and repeatedly says, "I pray not for the world," that is, not for sinners, as they really constitute the world, conversion bringing them out of the world and sanctification taking the world out of them. The King's highway of holiness (Isa. 35:8) is the grand trunkline which our loving heavenly Father built the time of the fall, extending from a world of sin and misery up to a heaven of bliss and perennial glory. This world is full of roads zigzagging in all conceivable directions. There are many tracks running hither and thither over the broad road that leads to death. The world is full of clamor, the cultured clergy everywhere shouting, "Lo, this is the way." Meanwhile a still, small voice, only audible to circumcised ears is moving on every heavenly breeze, and repeating day and night, "I am the way, the truth, and the life."

Among the six thousand religious denominations, the Lord has a people so meek, lowly, and unassuming as to be unknown, misunderstood, discarded and anathematized by the proud ecclesiasticism that have already compromised with the world, and consequently, been subsidized by the enemy. Satan was a great archangel, Lucifer, before he fell, and has very largely retained his transcendent intellectual power in his fallen state. So in attempt to cope with him intellectually can only ultimate in the most signal defeat and terrible disaster. He constantly lays under contribution all his vast intellectual power, in order to defeat God's holy people. He has too much sense to waste his ammunition on dead churches as he knows that if they go on in the even tenor of their way, he will pump them into hell in due time. But, oh, how he does lay under contribution his gigantic intellect, his diabolical chicanery, and marshal all the myrmidons of the pit and literally embargo earth and hell to defeat the Church of God.

Satan is willing to have the world in commotion. He cares not how many movements are dashing in panorama, east, west, north and south, just so they move neither Godward nor heavenward.

We are poor, weak, despised, and unimportant, but we are going to the ends of the earth preaching holiness to the Lord and the near coming of our King. We have no creed, but God's infallible Word, no Savior but Jesus, and no leader but the Holy Ghost, and no authority but God revealed by His Word, Spirit and providence. King Jesus is our captain. We are fighting for the same victory over the whole world which we already enjoy in our hearts and lives, by the power of His omnipotent grace, walking in the light of His infallible Word, Spirit and providence.

Diabolus understands the situation and knows he never can, with the combined powers of earth and hell, conquer the Church of God, consequently, his only alternative is to side track some of its members. I know you know the character of the railroad switch by which the train is side tracked. It starts out apparently perfectly parallel with the main track so as to bewilder all ordinary people and sometimes even puzzles the trainmen to detect it. When you first get on it, the course seems all right, and the deflection so gradual that you dismiss the matter from your mind, give away to drowsiness, and take a nap, to wake up after a

long time, and find that you are actually turned around and as you discover that rising sun, after a night's journey, you are actually going diametrically in the opposite direction and running back whence you started.

The first three hundred years of the Christian era we were deluged with the blood of saints, beginning with Jesus and following with Stephen and the desolating tide that swept over Judea, Samaria and Syria under the leadership of the persecuting Saul of Tarsus, which did not down with his miraculous conversion, but still survived under the leadership of the enraged priesthood, till three years subsequently, when the converted and sanctified Paul, filled with the Holy Ghost, returned to Jerusalem to undo his back work of former years. He was forced to fly for his life and seek refuge again in Tarsus, his native land. All the apostles but John sealed their faith with their blood. So far as we know their history, a similar fate overtook all of their prominent co-workers. With the beginning of Nero's reign A. D. 68, till the conversion of Emperor Constantine A. D. 313, the persecutions were indescribable, however, the church shone with an undimmed splendor, truly "light of the world" and the "salt of the earth." After the Emperor embraced Christianity and proclaimed it the religion of the empire, turning thousands of heathen temples into Christian churches, thus suddenly promoting the despised and persecuted saints from the lion's mouth and burning stake to Caesar's palace and the front of the empire, and a darkness fell on the church becoming more and more dismal and foggy till priestcraft was foisted upon the once fair escutcheon of apostles and martyrs; and it was not long until the bloody persecutor again lifted his hydra-head in the midst of the nominal church, thus inaugurating the bloody annuals of papistical persecutions.

"Hear the warning O, ye pilgrims, and govern yourselves accordingly." Should we fail God, or I say, "Dare we fail God," and allow the Church of God to become popular today? And no longer a real living thing of fire, and blood, war, battle, and conquest for King Jesus, but, like a tale that is told, a matter of forlorn and dreary past? I say, No, we will run with the news everywhere that Jesus can save, sanctify and fill with the Holy Ghost, blazing the way as we go for others to follow. Holding up the Church of God which He in His mercy, responsive to the cry of a few hearts, reached down His omnipotent arm and uncovered till we see her standing forth in all of her beauty and splendor with both gifts and graces to witness to His glory and preach everywhere the everlasting gospel in all of its fullness even to the ends of the earth. Had God have shown us her governments perfected we doubtless could not have understood it, but as we have been able to stand He has turned on the light and will continue till she is perfect and ready to receive the "Ishi" of her soul.

First coming out of the dark ages we hear repentance, justification by faith in the blood, later the Wesleys spread scriptural holiness, sanctification, a second work of grace subsequent to conversion, thereby preparing His people for the time when He would uncover the church in her beauty as she stands to-day. We should remember every moment that to be a member of the Church of God means to carry the gospel as a flaming fire day and night hastening the time when Jesus shall come and holiness shall cover the earth as the waters cover the sea.

**Saw Vision and Hastened to Place to Reunite with Church of God.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and The Churches of God Everywhere—Greetings in the Dear Name of Jesus:

"Who gave Himself for us that He might redeem us from all iniquity, and purify unto Himself a peculiar people, zealous of good works." Glory! A peculiar people, and a peculiar treasure. Isn't that peculiar?

On Dec. 27th, while on the train returning to work, the Lord gave me a vision of a large ship afloat, bearing a

crew, although the planking on the sides of the ship had not been finished. The people on board were on the upper deck, dressed in white robes and waved a farewell, as it were, to other ships in the harbor. Although I saw no one on the other ships. At least no one dressed in white. I was made to understand, as soon as this farewell was finished, the crew would go to work to finish the ship which they were on. But I was not on board. So I made haste to go to Bushnell, Fla., yesterday where Brother Johnson and others were on the battlefield, and I reunited myself to the Church of God. And I desire to be again set apart by the Church of God to the ministry of the Word. I want all the children of God to pray that God will help me stand fast and true. Since I have wasted about seven years of my life, my desire is that the "Love of God" and burdens for lost and dying souls may be in me even seven times greater than ever before.

I ask the Church of God to forgive me for what I have said against her, for I was lead away after a delusion of an invisible Church, which utterly failed to materialize, as I also asked the Church at Bushnell, face to face.

May the Lord richly bless and hasten the time when every one in the great Church will be doing his utmost for Jesus, is the prayer of my soul. Dearly beloved, I believe the glorious Church of God is going to make a great progress.

Your humble servant,  
E. S. Akins,  
Orlando, Fla.,

**Loves the Sunday School and Little Children**

Dear Evangel Readers: I want to praise the Lord this morning for salvation through the blood of Jesus. I have a stronger determination to be truer, and do more for God than ever before.

My desire is to help win souls for Christ and do all I can for Him. I love the Sunday school and little children, and love to teach them about Jesus.

I wish all the saints of God to pray for me and especially for my husband and children, for I surely desire to have an unbroken family in heaven.

Your sister in Christ,  
Annie Sherrill.

**Happy in Jesus.**

Dear Brother Tomlinson:

I am praising God for victory in my soul. I am glad I am saved from sin, sanctified and baptized with the sweet Holy Ghost, with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance, praise His sweet name.

I am glad I belong to the Church of God. I feel the Spirit burning in my soul. Oh! how my heart is burdened for lost souls as I see them marching to eternity. Oh! how will eternity be and what an awful thing to spend eternity with the lost, when Jesus died to save us! Praise God, I am trusting in Jesus for both soul and body. I am glad He heals me when I get sick. Praise His name. I want all the dear saints everywhere to pray lots for my dear mother, sister and me, for we live in a place where we can't attend the Church of God. Pray that I may help win lost souls for Christ.

Your little sister in Christ Jesus,

Flora Wines,  
Almond, N. C.

**Didn't Attend Assembly, but is Keeping up With All that is Published Concerning it**

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Everywhere: I had retired for the night, but had to get up and obey the Spirit.

I am still sanctified and have the Holy Ghost. Praise God. I would be delighted to be in some good meetings again.

I feel the need of getting out in the work of the Lord. There are so many precious souls to be saved. They need some one to tell them about this wonderful salvation.

I am sorry I didn't get to go to the Assembly, but I'm keeping up with everything that is being published about it. And it surely makes my soul rejoice to learn of the wonderful work the Church of God is doing. I am so thankful because I found the

dear Church of God. It makes me safe for both worlds, and gives us a life of usefulness, a certainty of everlasting bliss and glory, glory to God, where we will sing and shout the victory for evermore.

To fail to make the goal means a life of sin and sorrow, suffering and awful death, a frightful judgment and eternity of darkness, death and damnation.

Readers, what is Christ worth to you? I hope He is worth more to you than the small price for which He was betrayed. You see Judas sold out, and what became of him. Nehemiah tells us that king Solomon sold out for "outlandish women," and the precious saints of today are being deceived by the enemy on account of fine dressing, and handsome young men.

Girls, beware! if you have Christ in your heart, then beware. When you unite yourself in matrimony to an unsaved man you will surely go down, Christ will become a stranger. Then let us raise the price of our souls and appreciate the gift of God—let nothing come between. Then we will have determined with the Poet thus: "I rise to walk in heaven's own light,

Above the world and sin;  
With hearts made pure and garments white,  
And Christ enthroned within."

Your sister looking for Him,  
Mrs. E. A. Tucker,  
Catchings, Miss.

## NOTICES

A district convention will be held in the Tampa district Feb. 19th and 20th. We are expecting a good time and want a good representation from every church in the district. It is very necessary that you attend these meetings.

F. J. Lee.

Will Sister Hansford of Texas, and Sister Christensen and daughter Ellen, of Chicago, Ill. please send me their addresses at once? You are under my watch care, and I wish to correspond with you and pray for you here at Tampa, Fla. You are among twelve appointed by the pastor, and we can help each other.

Yours for service,  
Mrs. Rosa B. Murphy,  
216 Grand Central Ave.,  
Tampa, Fla.

A district convention for the Jasper district will be held at the Kiler Church near Glen Saint Mary, February 26th and 27th. I ask that every church in the district see that you are represented at the convention. Many important subjects will be discussed. A good time is expected so bring your dinner for two all day services.

F. J. Lee.

I am now ready to make engagements for meetings. A few have already written me concerning meetings, and it is my purpose to spend from April to September in evangelistic work or teaching ten day Bible schools, in which will be taught the Church of God doctrine, government and teachings as outlined and accepted by the Assembly of the Church of God.

If you want a meeting or Bible school write me at once.

Yours Truly,  
J. B. Ellis,  
2524 Gaut St., Cleveland, Tenn

This is to notify the people of the Columbia district that I have been appointed as your district overseer.

This district includes the following counties: Akins, Barnwell, Barnburg, Calhoun, Edgefield, Lexington, McCormick, Orangeburg, Richland and Saluda.

I would like to hear from those living in this district who want revivals held.

We would be glad to welcome any that feel led to come over and help us spread the gospel. Bring your tents and we will set the woods to burning with the Pentecostal fire.

I would like to hear from evangelists at once, with tents or otherwise, with workers or alone. We are expecting great things from the Lord this year.

Pray for us.  
Your humble servant,  
Walter W. Rush,  
902 9th St., Columbia, S.C.

After reading the paper, stat-

ing that Brother Tomlinson wanted fifty thousand names to send the Evangel to, I began to study about it, and part of the burden that was on him seemed to roll on me. I didn't think it would be right for him to have to give this literature away without some help.

I told my people what Brother Tomlinson wanted us to do in regard to the paper, then told them what I wanted to do. I asked them for a good collection to buy tracts, papers, books, etc., so that we could sow the whole country down with Church of God literature. I called for a song and while we were singing, the sum of eighteen dollars was given me to order Church of God literature.

I am going to load my car with the literature and take two or three men with me and we will not stop until we reach every home in ten or twelve miles square. This is a mining country and there are thousands of people here.

If other churches would do this, it would be good. Praise the Lord, I am going to do my best with the help of the Lord.

W. M. Lowman,  
Colburn, Va.

To the Churches of the Wimauma district—Greetings: The district convention will be held at Wimauma, Fla., March 5th and 6th. We hope to have a large crowd from each church in the district. Let every member put forth an effort to attend this convention. There will be subjects discussed that every member should know more about.

The state overseer, F. J. Lee, will conduct the convention. Let us make him feel that we appreciate his services by attending. Come for the first service and stay until the last one which will be on Sunday night.

The churches in the district have been organized into classes and a leader appointed for each class. This is by order of the Assembly and we hope that each leader will feel like he has been appointed by the Assembly and will assume the responsibility that has been placed upon him. Let us do all we can for each other, for the devil is our adversary. While we are helping each other, we are working against him.

Brother C. A. Churchill and his band of workers have done good work in the district this year. Sister Mable McDavid is also doing some good work in a new field in the district. We greatly appreciate their work. Pray that it will be everlasting and that they will receive a reward for their labor.

May the Lord bless all of you in our prayers.

Your brother and district pastor,

J. P. Hughes.

**WANTED**—to hear from W. B. Cobb at once. The last I heard, he was going from Georgia to Florida.

T. P. Cotnam,  
McMinnville, Tenn.

## OBITUARIES

The death angel visited the home of Sister Sarah Floyd of Clay, Ky. and claimed her son, Harlan Floyd, on Jan. 20, 1921. He was 9 years, 9 months and 27 days old.

Though it is sad to give this loved one up, yet we know that God does every thing well, and His ways are far above our ways.

He leaves a father, mother, sisters and brothers to mourn his death.

A precious one from us is gone,  
A voice we love is still,  
A place is vacant in our home  
Which never can be filled.

The golden gates were opened wide,  
A gentle voice said come;  
And angels on the others side  
Welcomed my loved one home.

One who sympathizes with the family.

Nettie Beaver.

On Jan. 29, 1921, our heavenly Father sent His messenger, "The death angel" to the home of Mr. Grover Forbus to carry away our beloved Sister Maye. She was born Feb. 22, 1894 in Kentucky. She received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and united with the Church of God at Imboden, Ark. in 1920, and was true unto Him who loved

her and washed her with His own precious blood until death.

She was in the fiery furnace of affliction, sickness, pain and suffering thirteen days, but praise our Lord, she came out as shining gold with all dross purged away. The great faith she manifested in trusting her Savior to the end can be appreciated only by those who truly love the Lord.

She went all the way through the valley of the shadow of death, her faith never wavering in any test. Many times she sang in the Spirit in tongues, and sometimes played the organ under the power. She said it was just wonderful, she could see herself caught up, could see wonderful things and hear the sweetest music. When she was playing and singing she could see those with whom she was playing and singing.

She leaves to mourn her death, a husband, two little boys a mother and sister, a host of relatives and friends.

Our hearts were made sad because we had to give her up, but our loss is heaven's gain. The Lord rejoiced in the death of His saint.

A friend,  
Ella Peck, Imboden, Ark.

On the morning of Jan. 23, 1921, the death angel visited the home of Brother M. D. Chambers, and claimed his loving wife, Dora, age 31 years, 1 month and 20 days. Oh, how we miss her as she was always at church when it was possible for her to be there. But we don't mourn as those who have no hope for we expect to meet Sister Chambers in that blessed morning, when the dead in Christ shall rise.

Sister Chambers was a member of the Church of God at Harriman, Tenn.

She leaves to mourn her death a husband, five children, mother, three brothers and three sisters and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother F. D. Davis and her body was laid to rest in the Harriman cemetery beside her infant son that preceded her to the great beyond eleven days before.

The loved ones have our deep sympathy in their bereavement and may God bless them in this time of sorrow.

Unveil thy bosom, faithful tomb,  
Take this new treasure to thy trust,  
And give these sacred relics room  
To slumber in the silent dust.

Nor pain, nor grief, nor anxious fear,  
Invades thy bounds—no mortal woes,  
Can reach the peaceful sleeper here,  
While angels watch her soft repose,

So Jesus slept, God's dying Son,  
Passed through the grave, and  
blessed the bed

Rest here, blest saint, till from His throne

The morning breaks and pierces the shade.

Break from His throne, illustrious morn,

Attend, O earth, His sovereign word,  
Restore thy trust—a glorious form,  
Shall then arise to meet the Lord.

Her sister in Christ,  
Mrs. F. D. Davis,  
Harriman, Tenn.

**Started Children's Prayer Meeting**

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and Saints: I am praising God for keeping me another year. Praise God. I praise Him for blessing me. I am still saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Glory to God. I am a little girl just thirteen years old. But I am not too little to serve God. Praise His name.

I want all the saints to pray for my unsaved brother. The rest of us are saved and members of the Church of God. Since I have been saved I began a little prayer meeting for the little children, to meet at my house. They came and several were saved and six of them got the Holy Ghost. Praise God for it.

Pray that our family will hold out to the end, and that I will stand true and be a faithful worker for the Lord.

Your sister in Christ,

Alma Horne,

Columbia, S. C.



## THE BLOW AND REACTION

(Continued from page one)

the blood (money) is trying to make its way to the heart (general treasury) there is not enough going to the heart yet because of broken limbs, punctured arteries etc. so the little that does go is not enough to bring strength to different parts, in other words, not enough to supply, but if every rib, every fracture will straighten and heal so they will not clog the flow of the little round red corpuscles as they flow to the heart (general treasury) there will soon be enough there to send back to those in need.

When a member fails to pay tithes, he is wasting the church like Paul. Let every band leader insist on each member paying tithes. I insist that you use the small envelopes, several churches pronounce it a good thing. If your pastor isn't getting enough money while we are going through the reaction. It has been suggested from headquarters that the deacons take special offerings for him. Do not worry because you have sent up more money than he is getting back. Remember the Church of God is ONE. You should have a broad interest for the work, not selfishly narrowed down to your local work. Luke speaks about the whole church coming together at Jerusalem.

Pastors, preach tithes, lay some plan to have every member to pay tithes. I mean, love them and teach it so plainly that they can't help but pay. I have heard from several places and the white corpuscles (the Spirit) are flowing freely, many good revivals are in progress now. I think it will not be long till we have a complete circulation in the great body, the church. Amen.

### From the Battlefield

Brother S. C. Daniel has just closed a two weeks meeting here: Five prayed through to God, and one added to the church.

Pray that the Church may grow and prosper at this place. C. M. Smith, 2502 2nd Ave., Columbus, Ga.

I held a meeting in Dania, Fla. for several nights. The Lord set His approval upon the services. Four were saved, four sanctified and three received the Holy Ghost. One was reclaimed and four were added to the church, reports John Henry Curry.

I have just held my local meeting east of Columbia, Miss. near the Industrial School. We had a glorious meeting, the saints shouted and talked in tongues. Three received the baptism of the Holy Ghost and seven followed the Lord in water baptism, reports Walter McNabb, Sandy Hook, Miss.

On Sunday, Jan. 23, I closed a three weeks meeting. Brother O. W. Thomas preached two weeks. The Lord blessed him in giving out the truth. Several came to the altar, but only two were baptized with the Holy Ghost; others were convicted and convinced that this is the right way, reports Laud L. Vaught, Pickshin, W. Va.

I have been doing all my work at the home church this month. Brother Johnson did most of the preaching. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Ten were saved, eight sanctified, fifteen baptized with the Holy Ghost and thirteen were added to the church. The power fell and fire was handled, reports Mary C. Ward, Greenville, S. C.

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### Interpretations

"Oh! Children, be careful, be watchful, stand firm in My liberty, in the spirit of My liberty and in the spirit of My might, and hold up My banner. Lift Me up and many shall come into the church."

Men are becoming bewildered and confounded at the things that have already come upon them. Their hearts are failing, and they are perplexed, thus their hearts are preparing to receive the truth. Teach them of My wonderful love; warn them of My wrath and warn them good, for it shall be only a few more days till I will pour out My wrath in My fury and all whose names are not recorded in the Book of life and have My seal in their foreheads, they shall loudly wail with great and bitter lamentations. But, children, stand firm, unwavering, unflinchingly on My Word, then others will see that there is a place that is firm and unmovable. And thus it will appeal to them more forcibly.

(Message given out by Brother Wiley Fussell, Hazlehurst, Ga., interpreted by Brother G. W. Peeples, Williston, Fla.)

Oh! Children, why do you become despondent? Why does your faith grow weak and your experience grow cold? You are in the way, the narrow way of holiness, the only way, the way that leads home. So cheer up, be of good courage, walk therein with all of your might, and serve Me with a pure heart fervently, for My way is beautiful and pleasant and he that travels therein shall gather to himself jewels, precious jewels with which his robe shall be decked. So cheer up, children, there are better things on before you.

(Message given by Brother Wiley Fussell on Sunday afternoon at Hazlehurst, Ga., just after I had preached.) Mrs. S. J. Heath.

## REPORT

Dear Brother Tomlinson, and All the Saints Scattered Abroad—Greetings in Jesus' Name: I am glad to report victory for the Church of God in the city of Akron, Ohio. On the eleventh of December we began a revival which lasted until the seventeenth of January. Our dear Brother and Sister Aiken of Harriman, Tenn. were with us for the first twenty-one days. Brother Aiken surely did some wonderful preaching. The Lord helped him in a wonderful way to convince the unbelievers that this is the Bible way.

After Brother Aiken and wife left, Brother D. R. Moreland of this city took charge of the meeting, and the Lord blessed him in giving out the Word. All that we heard speak of the meeting said they certainly enjoyed the preaching. There was an altar full of seekers nearly every night after the first invitation was given, and several were reclaimed, some were saved, some sanctified and some who were reclaimed received the Holy Ghost. The Church was edified and a few things that were disagreeable were put under the blood, and I believe they will stay there until Jesus comes.

Our Overseer, Brother E. Haynes, was here for the last night of the meeting, and preached a good soul stirring sermon.

The people are calling for meetings in so many places in the city that we are having service some where every night except Monday night, and expecting to be pressed into having services on Monday nights too. Many people, both saints and sinners, are looking toward the great Church of God. Pray that we may have a land slide for the Church in the next revival.

Yours for the Master, S. F. Beard, pastor.

Time of Refreshing—Acts 3:19. To the Evangel Family Everywhere—Greetings:

I want to praise the Lord for what He is doing here in Cleveland. We are having a shower, the power is falling in every service and the altar is filled with seekers. It is different to what it has been. I have seen so many go to the altar and pray some few words, then go away without getting anything from God, but not so now, they pray through to victory. We stay at the church until late hours, I mean one and two o'clock, and some get the Holy Ghost in all most every service. Some ten or twelve children have received the baptism of the Holy Ghost in the last two weeks, also several young ladies and some married women. I thank God because He is still on the giving hand. This is in the regular services—no protracted services.

I praise God because I have had the privilege of staying so long here in Cleveland. I have learned a few things I never would have known otherwise. I sure thank Him for making it possible for me to work a few days in the Evangel Office. I feel like I have learned what God wanted me to know here so I am preparing to leave, get out and do more active work for Him who has done so much for me. I never shall cease to praise Him. He keeps me sweet in my soul. I had rather have God's approval than all the wealth of the world. God is blessing my labor for which I praise Him. He heals our bodies when we get sick for we trust Him.

I am so glad I have a friend in Jesus, when all forsake us He will stand by us. He said, "I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee," and I have found His promise true. Pray for me that I may be more useful in His hands to draw souls toward heaven.

Your little sister, Mrs. Mary Howell, Cleveland, Tenn.

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I am glad that I belong to the dear old Church of God. I love her beautiful teachings. Pray that we may all abide by her divine teachings and walk in the light as obedient children, not doing our will but what God would have us do; willing at all times to say, "My will is the will of my God," always ready to lend a helping hand to those in need and loving one another as He loved us; asking God to help us to see our faults and by His grace to overcome them, because they are many; and help us to see how unworthy we are of the many blessings we enjoy. It is wonderful to think of His boundless love and mercy. He is ever mindful of us and supplies all our needs and forgives us our transgressions. I am praising Him because He ever came into my life and led me out of sin and darkness into the marvelous light of His glorious gospel.

Pray that I may be humble and submissive to His divine will, doing whatever I may find to do, be it ever so small. I want to help some one to find this same loving Savior precious to his dying soul.

Oh, to be a soul winner for Jesus, that is my greatest desire. May the dear Lord help us to pray more and consecrate our lives more to the cause of Christ in the coming year than ever before. Help us to bear one another's burdens, loving them into the kingdom. Kind words and a smile helps us so much, sometimes, to lift or lighten a burden for others. I am glad the love of God is shed abroad in my heart and that my Savior is all in all to me.

I pray that the Church of God may be a shining light to the world, a city set upon a hill that cannot be hid. May the Lord that rules and reigns in the heart of every true child, help us to lift up the man of sorrow to a lost and dying world, for He says in His precious word, "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me." John 12:32.

Pray that the saints everywhere will look up and take firmer hold on God's unchanging hand than ever before, launch out deeper on the ocean of His love, stand true to Him and the church that was purchased by the blood of His dear Son, and stand firm and steadfast for we are standing on His promises and His promises are true. Praise His dear name.

Your humble sister under the blood,

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About a year ago I grew so very hungry for something I knew not what. I began to pray for more light, so He opened up the way for me to go to a local preaching camp meeting, in N. J. I found people there praising God in a wonderful way so I came back home feeling much better but not satisfied. I began to ask God for more light, until I learned that Brother Paul Walker at Princess Anne, Md. was running a revival meeting. As it was not so far away husband and I went. I testified that I had the Holy Ghost but I learned later that I was only sanctified. I went to the altar

but didn't get the Holy Ghost that night so the next night the devil began to work. I did not want to go to meeting that night but some of my good friends came by and influenced me to go. When the altar call was called I went and could not pray but fell on my knees and began to cry and weep. Praise God He poured out His blessings upon me and I talked in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Praise God for ever; and ever since I have had the pleasure of seeing others saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Praise His dear name. Pray for me.

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My father was a Baptist preacher and taught us that we could not live above sin but, thank God, we can. When I went to the first holiness meeting I knew they were good people and believed much in them. When the altar service was called my husband and I went and were sanctified. We began to seek for the Holy Ghost, and in March, 1920 we received Him. Hallelujah to the Lamb.

I have been sick many times since, but trusted God and He healed my body. Oh, it is so sweet to trust in Jesus. One of the saints was sick last Sunday and sent for the saints to come and pray for her. It seemed as if death were at the door. We prayed as never before according to James 5:13, 14, and the Lord healed her wonderfully. There was shouting, dancing and talking in tongues, Praise God for His wonderful healing power. Praise His name.

I want all who read this to heed and not listen to mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters or friends but take the Holy Bible just as it is. In Heb. 12:14, we find, "Follow peace with all men and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord," and in John 3:8, "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that He might destroy the works of the devil." Dear friends, do not go on in sin and miss heaven, but turn before it is too late.

I am so glad I can live this life at home, and every where I go, praise the Lord. I want every one who reads this to pray that I will be a soul winner for the Lord and that mother and father will see the light on holiness soon.

Your humble sister, Rachel Moon, Dalton, Ga.

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Oh! I wish I was near a Church of God. I have always loved the Lord and my desire is to be a soul winner for Jesus. I believe in the healing power of Jesus. My daughter has appendicitis and I ask the prayers of all the saints that she will be healed. Aso pray for my husband, he is never well and not able to work.

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